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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	
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Franz Schuler et al.	)	
Serial No.: 10/523,239	)	Examiner: Sarah Kate Salerno /
	)	Wai-Sing Louie
Filing Date: September 28, 2005	)	
	)	Group Art Unit No.: 2814
For: SEMICONDUCTOR	)	Confirmation No.: 6476
COMPONENT WITH TRENCH	)	
INSULATION AND	)	
CORRESPONDING	)	
PRODUCTION METHOD	)	

**SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW**

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Dear Sir or Ma'am:

On March 16, 2010, Attorney for Applicants interviewed Examiner Wai-Sing Louie regarding an Advisory Office Action communicated on September 28, 2009 by Examiner Salerno. Attorney for Applicants argued that the Lee and Kawai references do not teach or suggest a gate dielectric layer over the first and second insulation covering layers. Examiner Louie noted that Examiner Salerno had relied on Kawai to provide support for a gate dielectric layer 11; but that in his opinion, Kawai did not

disclose the first and second covering layers. Examiner Louie, therefore, indicated that a further search was required.

Respectfully submitted,

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